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**October 1 – December 31, 2003**

**Political**

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| Oct. 7 @ 10 p.m. | Voters in White County agreed to a half cent sales tax that would help fund a new jail.                                                              |
| Oct. 20 @ 6 p.m. | Open panel discussion tonight on the Patriot Act. ACLU says it violates your privacy and rights.                                                     |
| Nov. 7 @ 6 p.m.  | Grand Jury will investigate voting problems in Pulaski County.                                                                                       |
| Dec. 2 @ 5 p.m.  | Justice Department threatens a lawsuit if Pulaski County does not correct its voter problems.                                                        |
| Dec. 15 @ 6 p.m. | Lawmakers debated a bill that would require students below 75% on benchmark tests to wear school uniforms.                                           |
| Dec. 16 @ 6 p.m. | Lawmakers upset that a funding formula still has not been decided upon in the Special Session. Without a formula, other reform plans cannot be made. |
| Dec. 26 @ 6 p.m. | Arkansas has three days to meet court deadline to reform schools.                                                                                    |

**Education**

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| Oct. 6 @ 6 p.m.  | New study ranks Arkansas 38 <sup>th</sup> when it comes to being uneducated.                  |
| Oct. 9 @ 5 p.m.  | Governor Huckabee unveiled his new education plan.                                            |
| Oct. 14 @ 6 p.m. | University of Arkansas at Fayetteville is ranked 45 <sup>th</sup> out of 100 top best values. |
| Nov. 14 @ 6 p.m. | University of Phoenix opens a campus in Little Rock designed for working adults.              |
| Dec. 19 @ 6 p.m. | The Senate passed the school reform bill that Governor Huckabee supports.                     |

### **Crime Prevention**

- Oct. 8 @ 10 p.m. State police start a new recruitment program to fill 100 vacant trooper positions.
- Oct. 8 @ 10 p.m. Little Rock's city board will crack down on theft by requiring pawn shop owners to keep electronic records.
- Oct. 13 @ 6 p.m. Firefighters in Little Rock boarded up vacant houses today in an effort to keep drug dealers away.
- Dec. 11 @ 6 p.m. US Attorney General commends Arkansas for getting guns off the streets in Pine Bluff.

### **Health Services and Medical Care**

- Oct. 8 @ 5 p.m. The importance of getting a flu shot.
- Oct. 8 @ 5 p.m. This Friday is Get A Free Mammogram Day.
- Oct. 23 @ 5 p.m. 25% of all toddlers are not up to date on their shots.
- Oct. 28 @ 5 p.m. A day is set for veterans to get their flu shots.

### **Benefits & Services**

- Oct. 22 @ 10 p.m. Haunted House proceeds to go to Lonoke County Museum.
- Oct. 28 @ 5 p.m. Former President Clinton is in town today to help with a fundraiser for Heifer International, (a locally-based charity).
- Nov. 1 @ 10 p.m. Women play Bunco tonight in Little Rock to raise funds for Arkansas Children's Hospital.
- Nov. 7 @ 6 p.m. Watershed will host a motorcade to get donations for Thanksgiving.
- Nov. 8 @ 6 p.m. Christian Motorcycle Association's Bike Run produced coats and blankets for the Little Rock Compassion Center.
- Nov. 9 @ 5 p.m. Central Arkansas Library conducts annual Food for Fines drive.
- Dec. 15 @ 6 p.m. KARK's food drive raised \$1,500 and collected 200 pounds of food.

### Consumer

- Oct. 4 @ 5 p.m. SW Airlines closes its Little Rock reservation center, affecting 700 jobs.
- Oct. 6 @ 5 p.m. Berry Packaging of Crossett is recalling three of their meat products that might be contaminated with listeria bacteria.
- Oct. 10 @ 5 p.m. Car seat expert walked us through the right way to choose a child safety seat.
- Oct. 14 @ 6 p.m. Medallion Food Plant is adding 140 new jobs in Newport.
- Oct. 21 @ 6 p.m. Little Rock police are serving arrest warrants to people who have not paid their parking ticket fines.
- Oct. 22 @ 10 p.m. We take a look at safety on the school bus in our top story tonight. We also take a look at crosswalk safety.
- Oct. 22 @ 10 p.m. A push to make marijuana legal in Arkansas goes up in smoke. Attorney General rejected the proposal.
- Oct. 28 @ 5 p.m. Solar flare expected today---how it will affect us.
- Oct. 31 @ 6 p.m. Halloween safety tips.
- Nov. 19 @ 6 p.m. Sixty jobs are coming to Bentonville when American Eagle opens a new maintenance facility.
- Dec. 2 @ 5 p.m. New center for teens is a place where they can go to enjoy computers, work out, etc.